

Allocation of funds for development projects in Uttaranchal

2966. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have allocated fund for the development of various existing development projects executed by his Ministry in Uttaranchal;

(b) if so, the details of the funds allocated and disbursed for various Centrally assisted schemes in Uttaranchal during the last two years;

(c) whether the money allocated for various schemes and projects are utilized fully; and

(d) if not, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY, MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises essentially deals with 34 operating Central Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) under its direct administrative control and policy issues related to all central PSEs. Government is providing budgetary support for some of the capital investment programmes of these PSEs/Units. No development projects are being undertaken by this Ministry in Uttaranchal.

Manufacturing of fuel efficient cars

2967. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons that India has not been able to manufacture indigenously till date fuel efficient cars and other motor vehicles having all the features of the modern technology;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to encourage manufacture of such vehicles within the country competing with the international standards;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether it is a fact that Japan and other leading car manufacturing countries are now encouraging manufacture of hybrid cars only; and

(e) if so, what are Government's plans in this direction?